Poster winners cited

One hundred and twenty seven Appomattox 4-H'ers submitted posters in the annual June is Dairy Month Poster Contest. The theme for this year's poster contest, which was sponsored by the American Dairy Association, was "The Magic of Milk."

Posters were judged according to the age of the 4-H member. Age groups included were 9 to 11, 12 to 14, and 15 to 19. Top winners in the various age groups were: (9-11) 1st Zane Torrence, 2nd Beth Carter, 3rd Stephanie Fanney. (12-14) 1st P. D. Myrick, 2nd Jennifer Coleman, 3rd Anne Hancock. (15 and over) 1st Blair Smith.

The three first place posters will be judged at the State level during State 4-H Congress week.

BLAIR SMITH
winner in the
age 15 and over contest.

ZANE TORRENCE
winner in the
age 9-11 contest.

P.D. MYRICK

Birth announced

John and Laura Coffin of Route 1, Pamplin are very proud parents of their first child, A baby boy, Jonathan Travis Coffin, born at Virginia Baptist Hospital Wednesday, June 3, 1981 at 3:53 p.m. Jonathan weighed 6 pounds; and was 19 inches long.

The proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Coffin of Pamplin and Mr. and Mrs. David E. Baldwin of Pamplin.

Baseball tourney set

An all-day Little League baseball tournament will be held at the W.O.W. baseball park on Saturday, June 20.

All Minor and Major League teams will participate. This will be a single-elimination tournament.

The games will get started at 8 a.m. Saturday morning. The association will offer for sale hamburgers, hot dogs, french fries, candies, and drinks. Proceeds from the sale of food will go to benefit the Youth Association.

Interested citizens are asked to come out and support the young baseball players of Appomattox County.

Alice Folks addresses Ruritans

Ms. Alice H. Folks, Eligibility Supervisor of the Appomattox County Department of Social Services was guest speaker on June 4 at the meeting of the Oakville Ruritan Club.

With the topic of "Changes in Welfare", Ms. Folks traced the history of the public welfare system and enumerated some of the changes that have taken place in the County.

The Appomattox County Welfare Board, consisting of three members, Mr. Allen O'Brien, Mr. Luther Morris, and Mr. Frank Smith, held its organizational meeting on June 28, 1938. Mrs. Virginia S. Marks was appointed Superintendent. In addition to the Superintendent, an Intake Clerk was employed.

Ms. Folks stated that when she joined the staff of the Appomattox County Department of Public Welfare in June of 1964, there were three employees. In the Spring of 1981 when Fuel Assistance Applications were being processed in Appomattox, the staff grew to fourteen.

On January 1, 1974, responsibility for making public assistance payments to adults who are 65 or older, or needy people of any age who are blind or permanently disabled was transferred by the Federal government from the State Welfare Departments to the Social Security Administration. These payments were no longer Old Age Assistance, Aid to the Blind or Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled as they had been under the Welfare Departments but came under the heading of Supplementary Security Income with the Social Security Administration.

On July 1 of 1974 determining eligibility for Food Stamp assistance became the responsibility of the local Department of Social Services. Like the Surplus Commodities Program, the Food Stamp Program is under the jurisdiction of the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Another program of a cooperative nature is Medicaid. Eligibility for assistance is determined by the Department of Social Services while services are provided and paid for by the State Health Department.

Processing applications for Aid to Families with Dependent Children is one of the major responsibilities of the Social Services Agency.

Ms. Folks stated that an unofficial count of the 1980 Census is 11,781 population for Appomattox County. There are, at present, about 6½ percent of the population enrolled in Medicaid, three percent receiving assistance through Aid to Dependent Children and 11.4 percent receiving Food Stamps.

Ms. Folks pointed out that we think of "welfare" as "assistance to the needy" or "public assistance", and that public assistance can take many forms: subsidies to businesses, cities, farmers, transportation facilities -- as well as public assistance to individuals who find themselves in need.

"Regardless of the name", Ms. Folks said, "the burden of payment is on the taxpayer". We admit that the system is not perfect, but so far, it is the best that anyone has been able to devise. Changes ARE needed. Changes have been proposed, and some changes will be made. We have tried methods which have left the taxpayer screaming for relief as time to take some of the hands out of his pocket.

"Some welfare assistance does continue on, seemingly from generation to generation". But assistance for others is only temporary -- to persons who need just a little boost to help them get them on their feet again. Funds are limited and regulation requirements are strict. Income and resources of applicants are considered in determining need in all programs; in most there is work registration requirement. For Aid to Dependent Children, an effort must be made to establish paternity and support must be sought from absent responsible relatives.

"The aim in public assistance is to provide for basic minimum immediate needs; to encourage -- not to condemn; to teach and to broaden existing abilities, rather than to 'make people behave' by legislating morality".

"So time marches on and change will continue -- some change will be for the better!"

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Saddle Club in contest

Several members of the Equus Saddle Club of Appomattox participated in the 18th Annual Danville Horse Fair on Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. Betty Zumbro placed 4th in Ambling Pleasure in her first class Friday evening, riding The Girl On My Street, owned by Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Paulett. In later classes that night Col. W. Eugene Bell, riding his horse, My Bay Lady received 4th place ribbons in both the Go-As-You Please and Plantation Pleasure classes.

Col. Bell received 1st place trophies on My Bay Lady in The Gentlemen's English Pleasure Class and in the Jack Benny Special (over 39 years of age). He also placed 2nd in the English Go-As-You-Please Class. The K. C. Paulett horse, The Girl On My Street placed

Although Saturday afternoon was very hot for horsing around in formal clothes the local club managed a few more honors.

5th in the Ladies English Go-As-You-Please Class with Mrs. Betty Zumbro runner-up. In the Open Racking Class, Mrs. Linda Short received a red ribbon for bringing her horse, Royal's Miss Namron to a 2nd place win.

In the evening show Mrs. Short led off by taking 1st place money in the Ladies Racking Class and followed it up by a Reserve Champion win in the Open Racking Championship Class. In both instances she rode her horse, Royal's Miss Namron.

Col. Bell closed his evening classes by riding his horse My Boy Lady to a 1st place win in the Plantation Pleasure Champion Class. He also received 3rd place ribbons in the Country Pleasure and Go-As-You-Please Championship Classes.

Mr. Ricky Garrison served as groom for the 2 day event.

Horse shows will be held in Farmville on June 20 and at Derwood Springs (between Chatham and Danville) on July 4.

APPOMATTOX COUNTY SPECIAL OLYMPIANS: Front row (from left) Karoy Jones, Otis Harris, Marlin Fleshman, chaperone Deborah Bradley, Roger Abbitt, Don Fleshman, Chaperone, Nancy Goodman. Back row, from left - chaperone Lauri Harwood, James Rose, Kent Bailey, Joseph Robertson, Sharon Abbitt, Alberta Wheeler, Sandra Mosely, Shelia Jones, Chaperone Judy Wright.

Olympians compete

Twelve students from Appomattox Elementary School participated in the Virginia Spring Special Olympic Games held at Virginia State University in Petersburg, May 29 through May 31.

The olympians competed in the standing long jump and 50-yard-dash events with athletes of equal abilities from all over Virginia. Between their own events, the students participated in recreational clinics. They also enjoyed watching gymnastic dance performances and a variety of swimming events. Saturday evening all of the olympians attended an outdoor dance.

The athletes won a total of 27 medals - 9 gold, 8 silver, and 10 bronze. Each olympian also received a participants medal and a sun visor.

Sunday, before returning to Appomattox, the students celebrated their victories with pizza at the Pizza Hut in Farmville.

The Special Olympians and their coach would like to thank Deborah Bradley, Judy Wright and Nancy Goodman who served as chaperones, Bea Hudson our bus driver, Evelyn Ford, our coordinator, and all the clubs and individuals whose donations made this trip possible. We would also like to thank the Appomattox County School Board members for their continuing support.

Stone, Webb in race

Bill Stone of Evergreen and Tim Webb of Pamplin completed a 30-mile bicycle race in Lynchburg on Sunday, June 14.

Riders left Central Virginia Community College, rode to Rustburg and returned to CVCC. Stone's time for the race was three hours and 15 minutes and Webb's time was four hours and 30 minutes.

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Rec. Programs

SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAMS

Boys & Girls Baseball

DATE: June 22 through July 3
PLACE: Appomattox County High School baseball field
AGES: 6, 7, 8 TIME: 9:00 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. - T. Ball
AGES: 9, 10, 11 TIME: 10:30 a.m. until 12 noon - Regular baseball
Fundamentals of baseball will be taught each day. A game will be played each day.
INSTRUCTOR: Coach Howard Clabough

Boys and Girls Basketball

DATE: July through July 17
PLACE: Appomattox County High School gym
AGES: 6, 7, 8 TIME: 9:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m.
AGES: 9, 10, 11 TIME: 10:30 until 12 noon
Fundamentals of basketball will be taught each day. A game will be played each day.
INSTRUCTOR: Coach Coty Dickerson

Boys & Girls Weight-Training

DATE: July 20 through July 21
PLACE: Appomattox County HS weight room
AGES: 6, 7, 8 TIME: 9:00 until 10:00 a.m.
AGES: 9, 10, 11 TIME: 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.
Fundamentals of weight training will be taught each day.

Boys : Girls Recreation for High School Students

DATE: June 22 through July 31
PLACE: Appomattox County High School gym, weight room, tennis courts, and track
AGES: 12-18 TIME: 1 p.m. until 3 p.m. each day exceptSaturday, Sunday and holidays.
The school and instructors are not responsible for insurance on the students. Each parent must carry insurance on the student. For further information call Coach Bragg at 352-8720 or 352-7146.

Babe Ruth results

Monday, June 8

Terry McCoy's fine relief pitching and three hits helped the Tigers beat the Reds. Buddy Hamlett had three hits, as well. The Reds were led by Jay Chenault and Russell Walton, with three hits each.

Tuesday, June 9

The Phillies defeated the Angels, behind the pitching of Neal Kelso and the timely hitting of R. L. Waldo, James Bohannon and Paul Johnson. Gary Ferguson had two hits for the Angels.

Wednesday, June 10

Richie Turner and Scott Almond had three hits each as the Tigers defeated the Angels. Ernest Humbles and Gary Ferguson led the Angels.

Thursday, June 11

James Bohannon, Tim Lawson, and Hasen Fields led the Phillies over the Reds. Mike Ferguson won the game. Tyrone Abbitt and Ron Seay pitched for the Reds.

Standings

Phillies won 4 lost 0
Angels won 3 lost 3
Tigers won 3 lost 4
Reds won 1 lost 4

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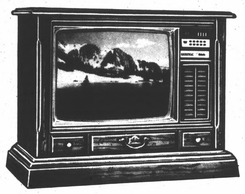

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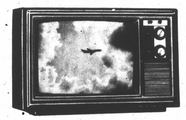

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